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LIQUID JET ASSISTED TISSUE  
MANIPULATION AND METHODS FOR  
THEIR USE

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)**

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby respectfully direct the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to the references listed in the attached PTO/SB/08 form. Applicants respectfully request that the information in the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants cite the following commonly owned application directed to subject matter related to the instant application:

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Applicants understands that papers from the prosecution of the above-identified case may be accessed electronically via PAIR. Accordingly, a copy of the foregoing application and the

file history thereof are not provided herewith but will be made available upon request. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicants are not submitting copies of the cited U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications. Applicants, however, submit herewith copies of the cited foreign patent documents and the cited non-patent literature documents.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is “prior art” for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

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Applicants respectfully submit that this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, and request the Examiner to consider the listed references.

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